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Western Cape Provincial Parliament
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT
PLANNING**

Friday, 3 December 2021 (at 08:00), Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

PRESENT

Members

Democratic Alliance

Baartman, DM
Maseko, LM
Van Der Westhuizen, AP (Chairperson)

African National Congress

Marran, P

Apologies

Mr B Herron, Member – GOOD
Mr Y Mohamed, Acting Head - Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

The following persons were in attendance:

Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

Mr P Hardcastle, Director - Planning and Policy Co-ordination
Ms A Rossouw, Manager - Planning and Policy Co-ordination

South African Local Government Association (SALGA)

Mr L Njamela, Advisor - Intergovernmental Relations and Strategic Relations

WCPP Officials

Adv A le Roux, Senior Legal Adviser
Mr J Vermeulen, Senior Procedural Officer
Ms S Niekerk, Procedural Officer
Ms N Mshumpela, Committee Assistant
Ms C Morris, Information Technology Assistant

1. Opening and welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the members of the Committee and the officials. The Chairperson informed the Committee that the F-version of the National Environmental Management Laws Amendment Bill was received a day and a half before the meeting and, given the complexity of the legislation, that this put undue pressure on the Committee to peruse the legislation in order to compile its Final Mandate Stage Report.

2. Consideration and adoption of the Draft Final Mandate Stage Report on the National Environmental Management Laws Amendment Bill [B 14F–2017] (s76)

The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning and the WCPP Legal Adviser highlighted matters in the F-version of the Bill that were of concern.

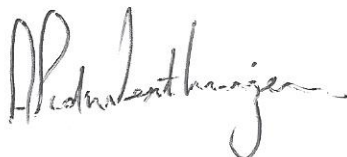
The Committee deliberated after which the Chairperson submitted the Draft Final Mandate Report which was considered and adopted.

3. Reviewing of the Western Cape Biodiversity Bill [B 2A–2021] and [B 2B–2021]

The Chairperson informed the Committee that the A-and B-Bill were circulated and requested the Committee to note that the amendments as agreed to were incorporated into the Bill and that translation has been completed.

The Chairperson expressed his appreciation to the members and officials for their contribution to the success of the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 08:30.



**MR AP VAN DER WESTHUIZEN, MPP
CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND
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Date:22 February 2022.....